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COMBINED REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) PER 37 CFR 1.114 AND PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME PER 37 CFR 1.136(A)

BY FACSIMILE AND MAIL

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Final Office Action dated 8 April 2004, Applicants herein request Continued Examination of this case under 37 CFR 1.114 and petition for a two-month extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a). This submission also includes an amendment as follows:

> CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION AND/OR MAILING (37 CFR 1.8(a))

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